1908-024 Chancery Causes: Alonzo Fleenor vs. Louisa Fleenor
Lee Co.

Seymore, Roberts, Green, Robinett, Neely

CA-Divorce
T-Vices

To the Hon. H. A. W Skeen, Judge of the Circuit Court of Lee County, Virginia.

Humbly complaining, your orator Alonzo Fleenor, a citixen of said County for more than one year before the insitution of this suit, would respectfully represent and show unto your honor, that on the day of 1903, he was married to Louiza Seymore; and they lived together in said county as husband and wife for about one year, when he became convinced that his said wife was unfaithful to him and guilty of adultery with Epps Roberts and others in the neighborhood of Blackwater, where the resided; that his said wife ran off with said Roberts and afterwards they returned to the neighborhood and lived and cohabited together as man and wife so openly and ~~xxxxxx~~ notoriously that said Roberts was arrested upon a warrant forlewed and lacerious association and cohabitation with her, and was tried and convicted of the offence and finded therefor, that she was also guilty of adultery with one John Green in said neighborhood and bore a child after she left your orator, which she named John Epson, after said Roberts and Green; that he has not lived or cohabited with her since he became convinced of her said acts of adultery, all of which were without his consent or connivance, and occurred within less than five years before the institution of this suit.

The object of this bill, therefore, is, to obtain a divorce from the bonds of matrimony existing between your orator and his said wife. To this end he makes the said Louiza Fleenor the party defendant to this suit and prays that she be required to answer the same, but not under oath, answer under oath be ing waived; that upon a final hearing the relief above prayed for be granted, together with all such other, further and general relief as may be suited to his case. And your orator will ever pray &c.

James W Orr p.q.

Costs:

Clerk	$3.80	pd
Tax	1.50	pd
Skff.	1.40	
Atty.	15.00	pd
Dpo.	2.50	pd
	$24.20	
Fee	5.00	
	$29.20	

Alango Fleenor.

vs } Bill in Chy.

Louisa Fleenor.

1908 2nd " Nov. Rules Bill filed Spa. executed.

" 1st Dre. Rules, taken last Monday in Nov. Cause set for hearing.

Alonza Fleenor, Plaintiff.

vs. In Chancery

Louisa Fleenor, Defendant.

This cause came on to be heard upon the bill of the plaintiff, the process duly executed on the defendant, the cause regularly matured at Rules and set for hearing by the plaintiff, and the depositions of witnesses, and was argued by counsel for the plaintiff. On consideration of all which it is adjudged, ordered and decreed that the bonds of matrimony existing between the plaintiff and defendant be and the same are hereby disolved and said parties are divorced from each other, and that the plaintiff recover against the defendant the cost of this suit. And the cause is stricken from the docket.

Alonzo Fleenor.

vs

Decree Final

Louisa Fleenor.

Entered in C.O.B.

8, page 414 &c.

Enter this decree,

H. A. Wilson

Dec 9 1908.

Mrs. Louisa Fleenor,

You will please take notice that on the 20th day of November, 1908, at the law office of James W. Orr in the town of Jonesville, Va. I will proceed to take the depositions of Geo. W. Neely and others which depositions when taken are intended to be read as evidence in my behalf in a suit in chancery pending in the Circuit Court of said county, in which I am plaintiff and you are defendant. And if from any cause the taking of the said depositions be not commenced, and if commenced be not completed, on that day, the taking of the same will be adjourned from time to time and from place to place until completed.

Nov 13th 1908.

Respectfully,

James W Orr atty
for Alonzo Fleenor.

Alonzo Fleenor.

vs { Natice

Louisa Fleenor.

Nov 20" 1908.

Executed by Delivery
a true copy to
the within Parties
this mar 17 - 08
W E Glass DS
for W. J. Tudor

The depositions of ~~Geo~~ Fay Robinett and others taken before me, Geo/ P.Cridlin, a commissioner in chancery for the Circuit court of Lee County, Virginia, at the office of James W.Orr in the town of Jonesville, Lee county, Virginia, pursuant to notice hereto attached, which depositions are intended to be read as evidence in behalf of the plaintiff, in a certain suit in chancery now depending in the Circuit court of Lee County, Virginia, in which Alonzo Fleenor is plaintiff and Louisa Fleenor is defendant.

Present: James W. Orr, attorney for plaintiff.

Miss Fay Robinett, a witness of lawful age being duly sworn deposes as follows:

Q.1.-- Please state your age and residence.

A.-- I am Twenty-one years old, and live on Blackwater, Lee County, Virginia.

Q.2.-- Are you acquainted with the parties to this suit, and if so how long have you known them?

A.-- I am acquainted with said parties. I have known the plaintiff about six years and the defendant about ten years.

Q.3.-- How far did you reside from them a few years ago?

A.-- Along last Winter I staid awhile with the defendants mother, and where the defendant lived at the time.

Q.4.-- Where was the plaintiff living at that time?

A.-- I think he was at Big Stone Gap, Va.

Q. 5.-- After they were married state whether or not the defendant left the plaintiff, or left the neighborhood in which they lived and went off with another man, and if so who did she go with, and how long did they remain?

A.-- After she and her husband had been apart for some time, she went off with Eps Roberts and was gone some two weeks and returned to Eps Roberts' home on Blackwater?, and they staid there two days, and they then went to the defendant's mother's home. This was, I think about last January.

Q.6.-- State whether or not after the defendant returned to her mothers', Eps Roberts visited her there?

A.-- He did visit her at her mother's after they returned from their trip, but I do not know how often. He had staid there most of the time for about two weeks before they took their trip.

Q.7.-- Did you at any time see any misconduct between the said Eps Roberts and the defendant, or any particukar fondness between them for each other, please state all you know about it?

A.-- I saw them hugging and kissing each other before they took the trip. I saw this kind of conduct several times, cannot just state the exact number. During the two weeks that he staid there, he took his meals there, and staid there at night, and she did some of his washing and ironing. He was not employed there, or anything of that kind. He just came and staid, and did little things around the house, like bringing in wood &c.

Q.8.-- State whether or not the defendant, or ~~her plaintiff~~ Eps Roberts, said anything to you about her and he being married, and if so state what it was.

A.-- They both claimed that they got married while on the trip. I have since heard him deny that they were married, but she still claims that they were.

Q. 9.-- State whether or not the defendant, after the trip, became a mother, and if so about what time.

A.-- She did, she did about six weeks ago.

Q.10.-- State if you, know what she named her child.

A. I do not remember.

Q.11.-- Did you ever hear the defendant say who is the father of the child.

A. I have heard say that Eps Roberts is its father.

Q.12.-- State whether or not you ever knew of the defendant associating, in an improper manner with John Green or any other man, after her marriage to the plaintiff.

A.-- John Green visited her home, perhaps, staid there a couple of weeks last July, and I saw them lying on the bed together. I saw her and one Joe Livesay, a widower, walking along hand in hand, on one occasion.

Q/13.-- Has the plaintiff lived with the defendant since you saw this misconduct on her part, and since she took the trip with Eps Roberts.

A.-- No,Sir. Both the plaintiff and defendant are residents of this County. The defendant has been a resident of the County for about three years.

And further this deponent saith not.

Jay Robinett

Wit/ claims 1 day .50

Geo/ W.Neely, another witness of lawful age being duly sworn deposes as follows:

Q.1.-- State your age, residence and official position.

A.-- I am 58 years old, reside on Blackwater, Lee County, Va. and am a constable.

Q.2.-- Are you acquainted with the parties to this suit, and if so how long have you known them?

A.-- I am, and have known them about all their lives.

Q.3-- State any misconduct that you know upon the part of the defendant, since her marriage to the plaintiff, and give dates as near as you cam?

A.--I believe the fisst I know is the trip the defendant took with Eps Roberts, along about last January. they were gone about two weeks, as I understood. After they returned she went to her mothers. I saw him there one night. After they returned from their trip Eps Roberts was arrested for living with the defendant and was tired on Blackwater, and was found guilty and fined. I was at the trial and the defendant sworn on the witness stand that she and Eps were married, and that she had lived with him as man and wife. He did not testify in the case. This trial was during last July or August.

Q. 4.-- Has the plaintiff lived with the defendant as husband and wife since she and Roberts took their trip?

A.-- He has not.

~~Q~~.-- She is still living on Blackwater with her mother and has been for the last three years.

Q.7.-- Did the defendant give birth to a child recently, and if so

state if you know what she has named it.

A.-- She did give birth to a child some six weeks ago, and I understand she has named it John Epson. I have heard him claim that it was his child.

Q.8.-- Do you know of any misconduct by the defendant with any other man?

A.-- I do not of my own knowledge, but I have heard John Green say that he had been intimate with her. I have in my hands a warrant for the arrest of John Green for adultery with the defendant, but he has left the country and I have been unable to arrest him.

And further this deponent saith not.

G.W. Neely

Wit. claims 1 day /.50

Virginia, Lee County, To-Wit:

I, Geo.P.Cridlin, a commissioner in chancery for the Circuit Court of Lee County, Virginia, do certify that the foregoing depositions of Fay Robinett and Geo.W.Neely, were taken sworn to and subscribed before me at the time, place and for the purpose in the caption mentioned/

Given under my hand this the 20th day of November, 1908.

Geo.P. Cridlin
Commissioner in chancery.

Alonza Flenar

vs. } In Chy.

Louisa Flenar

Depositions of

Fay Robinett	Cost 50
Geo. W. Nuby	50
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	$2 50

Filed Nov. 20, 1908

W. C. T. Ewing,

Clerk.

The Commonwealth of Virginia,

To the Sheriff of the County of Lee, Greeting:

WE COMMAND YOU, That you summon Louisa Fleenor

to appear at the Clerk's office of the Circuit Court of the County of Lee, at rules to be held for the said court, on the 3rd Monday in November, 1908, to answer a bill in chancery exhibited against her by Alonzo Fleenor

And have then there this writ. Witness, H. C. T. EWING, Clerk of our said Court, at the court-house, the 7th day of November, 1908, and 133" year of the Commonwealth.

A Copy, Teste:

H. C. T. Ewing, Clerk

_____, Clerk

Alonzo Fleenor

VS { SUBPŒNA IN CHANCERY

Louisa Fleenor

James W. Orr, p. q.

To 2nd Novr. Rules

Lee Circuit Court

1908

Executed by Delivering a True copy to the Within Parties on the 12 day of Nov 1908 this the 13-08

W. E. Glass D.S.

for W. J. Tuckes S.J.C.